

NCTM participates in the EU-China Project on the Protection of Intellectual Property Rights

Milan, June 3, 2010 –NCTM was invited to take part in the workshop of experts that took place at Qingdao (China) from May 20 – 22, 2010, during the EU-China Project on the Protection of Intellectual Property Rights. More specifically, NCTM was selected by the European Patent Office, with offices in Munich, in light of the firm's experience and competence on this subject, to participate among a delegation of experts coming from the European Union, to show the current regulations applied in the European Union concerning industrial secrets, unfair competition and consumer protection to the SAIC (State Administration for Industry and Commerce) of the People's Republic of China.

One of the European experts, representing Italy, was Ms. Alessandra Stabilini from NCTM Studio Legale Associato. Ms. Stabilini presented the legal and judicial orientation, as well as the common commercial practices currently applicable in Italy, sharing her experience acquired at a European level with the Chinese government, giving them suggestions and advice for matters concerning how to draw their own legislation closer to international standards, which has become necessary pursuant to the adhesion of the People's Republic of China to the World Trade Organisation in 2001.

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